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1. Industrial import, the official Bulgarian import agency, imports wool waste [redacted] at 10.12 leva per kg. After combing, there remains two grades, which are sold to spinning mills at 15.51 leva and 13.90 leva per kilogram.
2. Bulgarian wool waste is purchased for 3.04 leva per kilogram and sold, after combing, for 5.32 leva per kilogram. Inferior quality wool, with short fibers, is bought at 1.80 leva per kilogram and sold, after combing, to mattress factories for 4.07 leva per kilogram.
3. The following three factories process wool waste:
 - a. 9 Septemvri Factory, which is located in Gabrovo, employs 450 workers and produces nine tons of refined wool daily;
 - b. The Sredets (Interp) Factory at Sliven, employs 300 workers and produces seven tons of refined wool daily; and
 - c. The Anton Ivanov Factory is located eight kilometers southeast of Sofia. This enterprise employs 230 workers and has 12 large and 32 smaller combing machines. It produces six tons of refined wool daily, which is ready for the production of yarn.
4. These plants in turn, supply wool to 12 spinning mills. The following enterprises depend on the Anton Ivanov plant for their supply:
 - a. Angel Kantchev, which is located at Trevna (N52-52, E25-30);
 - b. The Bolshevik, situated at Troyan;
 - c. Dimitrov Sabi, which is located at Sliven, employs 700 workers. It also receives supplies from Sredets (now Orudovo);

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- d. Kohuna Samokovska, which is located in Samokov, employs 700 workers;
- e. Georgi Kirkov Factory in Sliven, employs 1000 workers. It is also supplied by the Sredets plant;
- f. Prokombinat at Ruse belongs to the Municipal council; its workshops produce coarse yarns and mattresses;
- g. Prokombinat at Pleven;
- h. Prokombinat at Plovdiv;
- i. Rume, adjacent to the Iskar Railroad Station, employs 1100 workers;
- j. Snaabditelna Baza Na T.P.K. is a supply center for producers' cooperatives. The wool is stored at 33 Shar Planina, Sofia; and
- k. Tsentralen Kooperativen Soyus, which has a warehouse at 5 Slavianska Street, Sofia.

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